

Report of 2024 NCLEX-RN® Examination Pass Rates For Professional Nursing Education Programs

Summary:

The period for this pass rate report extends from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. The attached report provides final 2024 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rates of first-time test-takers from the professional nursing education programs in Texas as well as for clinical competency assessment programs operated out-of-state, for the purpose of meeting requirements of HB 2950 passed during the 85th regular session of the Texas Legislature. Programs with an asterisk (*) are recognized with commendations for their pass rates of 90% or above. New programs that have not had graduates are not included in the report. Rule 215.4(c) states that “Approval status is determined biennially by the Board on the basis of the program’s compliance audit, NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate, and other pertinent data”. Certificates of Approval are provided to all programs every two years and will next be provided in 2026.

Trends:

- The overall 2024 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for Texas programs was calculated to be 92.69% (14,214/15,335 candidates), which is above the national average of 91.16%.
- Texas is one of four states with more than 10,000 first-time candidates for the NCLEX-RN® examination. The other states are California, Florida, and New York.
- One hundred three professional nursing education programs in Texas experienced a ninety percent (90%) or higher 2024 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate with 13 programs scoring 100%.
- Seven professional programs may be required to submit a Self-Study Report for a pass rate below 80%.

The following table provides a comparison of Texas RN pass rates with the national average.

Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Average for Texas Programs	92.69% 14,214/15,335	91.15% 13,788/15,127	84.28% 12,499/14,831	86.70% 13,293/15,333	91.00% 12,039/13,231
National Average	91.16% 170,256/186,758	88.56% 165,059/186,375	79.91% 150,214/187,986	82.13% 167,214/203,608	86.76% 151,617/174,750

The final NCLEX-RN® report for 2024 follows. This report is for information only. No action is required.

**FIRST TIME RN CANDIDATES EDUCATED IN TEXAS
REGARDLESS OF STATE OF INITIAL LICENSURE
NCLEX-RN® for 2024 (January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024)**

(* = Programs with pass rates over 90%)

Diploma Program	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Covenant School of Nursing US27308700	Lubbock	158/174	*90.80%
Diploma Totals		158/174	90.80%
ADN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Alvin Community College US27406000	Alvin	63/65	*96.92%
Amarillo College US27400000	Amarillo	171/182	*93.96%
Angelina College US27400200	Lufkin	60/62	*96.77%
Austin Community College US27403200	Austin	268/288	*93.06%
Baptist Health System School of Health- US27407800	San Antonio	153/173	88.44%
Blinn College US27401500	Bryan	101/103	*98.06%
Brazosport College US27408200	Lake Jackson	24/32	75.00%
Central Texas College US27400300	Killeen	50/62	*96.15%
Cisco College US27407900	Abilene	40/46	86.96%
Clarendon College US27409900	Pampa	18/21	85.71%
Coastal Bend College US27408900	Beeville	40/42	*95.24%
College of Nursing and Advanced Health Professions US27409300	Richardson	0/2	0%
College of the Mainland US27404000	Texas City	96/101	*95.05%
Collin College US27401600	McKinney	115/119	*96.64%
Dallas College at Brookhaven US27411200	Farmers Branch	158/171	*92.40%
Del Mar College US27406200	Corpus Christi	141/149	*94.63%
ECPI University US27411100	San Antonio	6/6	*100%
El Paso Community College US27404400	El Paso	120/125	*96.00%

ADN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Galen College of Nursing US27407200	San Antonio	646/724	89.23%
Galveston College US27400400	Galveston	39/45	86.67%
Grayson College US27406100	Denison	106/107	*99.07%
Hill College US27408000	Hillsboro	30/31	*96.77%
Houston Community College US27403600	Houston	110/126	87.30%
Howard College US27403900	Big Spring	33/34	*97.06%
Howard College – San Angelo US27410500	San Angelo	35/45	77.78%
Kilgore College US27404700	Kilgore	36/36	*100%
Lamar State College – Orange US27401300	Orange	73/79	*92.41%
Lamar State College – Port Arthur - US27410200	Port Arthur	44/45	*97.78%
Laredo College US27406300	Laredo	44/45	*97.78%
Lee College US27403500	Baytown	38/39	*97.44%
Lone Star College – Cyfair US27405100	Cypress	59/60	*98.33%
Lone Star College – Kingwood US27407600	Kingwood	79/87	*90.80%
Lone Star College – Montgomery - US27405200	Conroe	55/56	*98.21%
Lone Star College – North Harris - US27403700	Houston	81/86	*94.19%
Lone Star College – Tomball US27402300	Tomball	41/44	*93.18%
McLennan Community College US27400700	Waco	50/55	*90.91%
Midland College US27403400	Midland	32/33	*96.97%
Navarro College US27402500	Corsicana	85/93	*91.40%
North Central Texas College US27404600	Gainesville	93/96	*96.88%
Northeast Texas Community College - US27401400	Mt. Pleasant	57/64	89.06%
Odessa College US27406700	Odessa	48/51	*94.12%
Panola College US27401900	Carthage	57/60	*95.00%
Paris Junior College US27400100	Paris	52/60	86.67%

ADN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Ranger College US27406500	Early	29/31	*93.55%
Rio Grande Valley College US27410800	Pharr	112/127	88.19%
San Antonio College US27400800	San Antonio	208/236	88.14%
San Jacinto College-Central US27406600	Pasadena	163/171	*96.32%
San Jacinto College-South US27402000	Houston	48/48	*100%
South Plains College US27401100	Levelland	79/82	*96.34%
South Texas College US27402700	McAllen	211/215	*98.14%
Southwest Texas Junior College - US27407000	Del Rio	33/46	71.74%
Southwest University US27410600	El Paso	52/57	*91.23%
St. Philip's College US27410400	San Antonio	22/30	73.33%
Tarrant County College US27400900	Fort Worth	234/267	87.64%
Temple College US27408500	Temple	92/96	*95.83%
Texarkana College US27406800	Texarkana	74/82	*90.24%
Texas Health School US27411300	Houston	14/18	77.78%
Texas Southmost College US27410900	Brownsville	23/26	88.46%
Texas State Technical College- Harlingen - US27410700	Harlingen	34/36	*94.44%
Texas State Technical College- West Texas - US27405800	Sweetwater	25/26	*96.15%
The College of Health Care Professions - US27410000	Houston	4/4	*100%
Trinity Valley Community College - US27403100	Kaufman	113/122	*92.62%
Tyler Junior College US27403300	Tyler	196/201	*97.51%
Vernon College US27401700	Vernon	54/55	*98.18%
Victoria College US27404100	Victoria	87/87	*100%
Weatherford College US27407500	Weatherford	173/181	*95.58%
Wharton County Junior College US27404900	Wharton	52/57	*91.23%
ADN Programs Total		5,779/6,251	92.45%

BSN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Abilene Christian University US27502100	Abilene	45/45	*100%
Angelo State University US27501400	San Angelo	43/46	*93.48%
Arizona College of Nursing US27511100	Dallas	39/44	88.64%
Aspen University (closed) US27511500	Austin	21/24	87.50%
Baylor University US27505300	Dallas	343/363	*94.49%
Chamberlain College of Nursing US27500700	Houston	191/231	82.68%
Chamberlain College of Nursing US27510700	Irving	145/187	77.54%
Chamberlain College of Nursing US27510600	Pearland	161/222	72.52%
Chamberlain College of Nursing US27511400	San Antonio	48/60	80.00%
Concordia University US27505700	Austin	172/177	*97.18%
Denver College of Nursing US27511900	Houston	5/6	83.33%
East Texas A&M University US27501700	Commerce	62/66	*93.94%
East Texas Baptist University US27500900	Marshall	35/37	*94.59%
Fairfield University US27512000	Austin	2/2	*100%
Galen College of Nursing US27510800	San Antonio	260/287	*90.59
Hallmark University US27510900	San Antonio	42/49	85.71%
Houston Christian University US27504900	Houston	41/44	*97.62%
Howard Payne University US27511000	Brownwood	7/8	87.50%
Lamar University US27503800	Beaumont	120/123	*97.56%
LeTourneau University US27510200	Longview	8/8	*100%
Midwestern State University US27500200	Wichita Falls	77/83	*92.77%
Patty Hanks Shelton School of Nursing - US27503700	Abilene	33/35	*94.29%
Prairie View A&M University US27508400	Houston	84/92	*91.30%
Sam Houston State University US27505500	Huntsville	125/133	*93.98%
Schreiner University US27511200	Kerrville	6/7	85.71%

BSN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
South University US27510100	Austin	26/30	86.67%
Southwestern Adventist University - US27502000	Keene	64/70	*91.43%
Stephen F. Austin State University - US27503000	Nacogdoches	96/97	*98.97%
Sul Ross University US27511700	Alpine	4/11	36.36%
Tarleton State University US27500800	Stephenville	142/150	*94.67%
Texas A&M HSC College of Nursing - US27501000	Bryan	199/201	*99.00%
Texas A&M International University - US27501900	Laredo	94/97	*96.91%
Texas A&M University US27500400	Corpus Christi	107/115	*93.04%
Texas A&M University US27510500	Texarkana	12/13	*92.31%
Texas Christian University US27509700	Fort Worth	245/245	*100%
Texas Lutheran University US27509900	Seguin	92/93	*98.92%
Texas State University US27500600	Round Rock	89/89	*100%
Texas Tech HSC – Gayle Greave Hunt SON US27504400	El Paso	121/130	*93.08%
Texas Tech HSC SON US27503600	Lubbock	550/581	*94.66%
Texas Woman’s University US27507200	Denton	414/426	*97.18%
University of Houston College of Nursing - US27502500	Sugar Land	84/84	*100%
University of the Incarnate Word US27508100	San Antonio	158/165	*95.76%
University of Mary Hardin Baylor - US27504700	Belton	121/126	*96.03%
University of St. Thomas Accelerated BSN - US27511600	Houston	167/203	82.27%
University of St. Thomas SON US27501200	Houston	60/72	83.33%
University of Texas at Arlington US27504300	Arlington	775/823	*94.17%
University of Texas at Austin US27509000	Austin	97/104	*93.27%

BSN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
University of Texas at El Paso US27504200	El Paso	297/320	*92.81%
University of Texas Permian Basin US27502300	Odessa	50/69	72.46%
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley - US27500500	Edinburg	211/229	*92.14%
University of Texas at Tyler US27504800	Tyler	434/452	*96.02%
University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston US27503500	Houston	238/249	*95.58%
University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio US27503900	San Antonio	291/307	*94.79%
University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston US27504100	Galveston	282/284	*99.30%
Wayland Baptist University US27510400	San Antonio	5/5	*100%
West Coast University Texas US27501600	Dallas	276/302	*91.39%
West Texas A&M University US27504600	Canyon	94/101	*93.07%
Western Governors University US27505600	Austin	153/168	*91.07%
Western Technical College - US27511300	El Paso	33/38	86.84%
BSN Programs Total		8,196/8,828	92.84%
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MSN Entry Level Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Texas Lutheran Direct Entry US27511800	Seguin	28/29	*96.55%
University of Texas at Austin Alternate Entry MSN	Austin	53/53	*100%
MSN Entry Level Programs Total		81/82	98.78%
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Grand Total for Texas		14,214/15.335%	92.69%
National Average	(reported by NCSBN)	170,256/186,758	91.16%

ADN Program	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Excelsior College	Albany, New York	533/652	81.75%

HB 2950 passed during the 85th Regular Legislative Session amended the Nursing Practice Act, Section 301.157(d-11) to cause the Board to monitor NCLEX-RN® pass rates for clinical competency assessment programs operated out-of-state as a means to determine substantive equivalence to Board standards. The Nursing Practice Act, Section 301.157(d-1) allows a school of nursing or educational program to be considered approved by the board and, except as provided by Subsection (d-7), is exempt from board rules that require ongoing approval if the school or program: (1) is accredited and maintains accreditation through a national nursing accrediting agency selected by the board under Subsection (b)(5); and (2) maintains acceptable pass rate as determined by the board on the applicable licensing examination under this chapter. Excelsior College was denied continued accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing in March 2020. Following an appeal hearing of the decision, Excelsior College has voluntarily withdrawn accreditation of the program effective May 11, 2021, and Excelsior students who graduate after that date will be required to fulfill additional requirements to become eligible for a Texas license [Rule 217.2(C-E)].